My name is Marsha Wade and I am Director of Professional Development for Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association, a nonprofit association for attorneys.

Our members rely upon us to provide benefits and services in exchange for their annual dues. If the proposed "Do Not Fax" rule goes into effect, our means of communicating with members will be severely restricted.

I am requesting that the "Do Not Fax" rule allows for the exemption that permits faxed communications in the case of an existing business relationship and I'm asking you to consider the adverse effect this amended rule would have upon nonprofit professional and trade associations.

Thank You for your consideration of my request,

Marsha Wade